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U.S. to Buy 30 Russian Helicopters for Afghanistan

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The U.S. will next year buy 30 Russian-made helicopters for the Afghan army, Russian state arms exporter Rosoboronexport said Friday.

The batch of Mi-17V-5 military transport helicopters will raise to 63 the quantity of that model supplied under U.S.-Russian deals for the Afghan National Army.

The Mi-17V-5 is part of the Mi-8/17 family, members of which are used by more than 80 countries.

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